

Suffolk-Nansemond Historical Society

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Dear Member:

The Suffolk Nansemond Historical Society will meet Thursday, February 13, 1986, at 7:30 P.M. in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Suffolk on Market Street. Henry Murden has agreed to give us a class on what records are available in the Clerk's Office, and how to use those records. Even though our records are limited by virtue of the burning of the Courthouse in 1866, you may be surprised as to what is actually available.

The 1985 Candlelight Tour of three homes and two churches in Holland was considered a success by all those that participated. The weather was rainy and therefore limited the total that participated in the tours. The net profit was accordingly reduced and I can report that we only netted \$1,225.82.

We thank Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Quate, Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Howell, Sr. and Ms. Kathryn Holland for opening their homes to us. We also welcome them as gratuitous members of the Historical Society this year and hope that they will remain members for indefinite future.

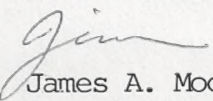
Mr. Larry Ruden of the Little Shoppe has donated two manikins to the Historical Society. The two manikins, one of a boy and one of a girl, were with the shop when his mother and father opened it in the early 1930's. He believes that they will soon become antiques and has also consented to an interview to detail the unique history of the Little Shoppe. As you may know, the Little Shoppe is no longer in business.

The Executive Committee has approved the concept of taking a field trip this Spring. The plan at this time is to charter a bus or two (depending upon the number of affirmative responses) and travel to somewhere like Edenton, and tour the Historic District. After the tour we could eat lunch at one of the inns. Edenton is not necessarily where we will go and I am open for suggestions. I think that this trip would be a great deal of fun and would give us a fresh perspective as to our own historical preservation for the City of Suffolk.

I would like for this outing to serve as our dinner meeting and I am sure we could conduct a business meeting where we may eat. Again, let me hear from those of you that have an idea as to a suitable destination for our excursion.

Please mark your calendar February 13, 1986.

Yours truly,


James A. Moore
President